

GENERAL ORDERS. }

No. 67. }

WAR DEPARTMENT,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

*Washington, August 26, 1861.*

By the 57th article of the act of Congress entitled An act for establishing Rules and Articles for the Government of the United States, approved April 10, 1806, "holding correspondence with or giving intelligence to the enemy, either directly or indirectly," is made punishable by death, or such other punishment as shall be ordered by the sentence of a court martial. Public safety requires strict enforcement of this article. It is therefore ordered that all correspondence and communication, verbally, or by writing, printing, or telegraphing, respecting operations of the Army or military movements on land or water, or respecting the troops, camps, arsenals, entrenchments, or military affairs, within the several military districts, by which intelligence shall be, directly or indirectly, given to the enemy, without the authority and sanction of the General in command, be and the same are absolutely prohibited, and, from and after the date of this order, persons violating the same will be proceeded against under the 57th Article of War.

BY ORDER:

L. THOMAS,

*Adjutant General.*

OFFICIAL:

*Assistant Adjutant General.*